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1. ON FEB. 16, A GROUP OF TERRORISTS, BELIEVED TO
BE MONTONEROS, MACHINEGUNNED THE HOME OF DEFENSE MINISTER
BRIG. GEN (R) JOSE M. KLIX IN THE CABALLITO DISTRICT OF
BUENOS AIRES. THE TERRORISTS, USING A STOLEN PANEL TRUCK,
DROVE PAST THE HOME OF THE MINISTER AT APPROXIMATELY 2:20 P.M.
AND OPENED FIRE ON THE PREMISES WITH A FAL 7.62 AND A
9 MM PISTOL. ONE OF THE MINISTER'S BODYGUARDS WAS HIT
IN THE LEG BY A RICOCHET AND REPORTEDLY A NEIGHBORHOOD CHILD
WAS WOUNDED IN THE CROSSFIRE. THE DEFENSE MINISTER WAS NOT
AT HOME AT THE TIME OF THE ATTACK. THE PANEL TRUCK USED
IN THE ATTACK WAS RECOVERED LATER WHERE IT HAD BEEN ABANDONED.
POLICE SOURCES STATED THIS ATTACK MAY HAVE
BEEN PART OF A MONTONERO TRAINING MISSION.

2. ON THE SAME DATE, A BOMB WAS DETONATED IN A HOUSE BELONGING TO DR. RICARDO YOFRE, SUBSECRETARY TO PRESIDENT VIDELA. THE PREMISES IN QUESTION WERE STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND THE ENSUING EXPLOSION DID A GREAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEAL OF DAMAGE. THERE WERE NO INJURIES. THIS WAS THE SECOND ATTACK DIRECTED AGAINST DR. JOFRE'S PROPERTY. LAST AUGUST, A BOMB WAS DETONATED IN THE ENTRANCE TO THE APARTMENT BUILDING WHERE HE RESIDES IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL. CASTRO

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